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C O N F I D E N T I A L LISBON 2261

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, PFOR, PO, CV, US

SUBJ: CURTAILMENT OF US MILITARY FLIGHTS TO CAPE VERDE

1. FONMIN MELO ANTUNES CALLED ME TO HIS OFFICE LAST NIGHT (APRIL 18) TO ASK THAT WE CURTAIL MILITARY OPERATIONAL FLIGHTS PASSING THROUGH ILHA SAL IN CAPE VERDE ISLANDS. ANTUNES SAID HIS INFORMATION WAS THAT WE HAD ASW AIRCRAFT ON ROUTINE FLIGHTS FROM LAJES STOPPING AT SAL. REASON FOR HIS REQUEST WAS COMPLAINT FROM PAIGC WHICH DID NOT WANT "ANY MILITARY AIRCRAFT FROM ANY COUNTRY STOPPING AT CAPE VERDES." ANTUNES LATER MODIFIED THIS TO EXCLUDE CARGO AIRCRAFT.

2. ANTUNES SAID NEGOTIATIONS ON CAPE VERDE INDEPENDENCE TWO MONTHS FROM NOW GOING WELL, AND HE WANTED TO AVOID ANY DIFFICULTIES. SAID HE WAS SURE PAIGC WOULD NOT LEAN TOWARD SOVIETS. "THEIR INTENT IS NOT TO UPSET PRESENT BALANCE, THEY WILL STAY CLOSE TO GOP."

3. EMBASSY HAD REQUESTED CLEARANCE EARLIER IN DAY APRIL 18 FOR NAVY FLIGHT TO SAL, SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY, APRIL 20. UNDER EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS WITH GOP, SUCH FLIGHT REQUESTS ARE MADE ROUTINELY BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE WHICH, WHEN PRESENTED MINIMUM OF 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE, ARE SUFFICIENT FOR CLEARANCE.

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4. ACTION REQUEST: REQUEST DEPARTMENT NOTIFY APPROPRIATE DOD

OFFICIALS OF NEED TO CANCEL THIS FLIGHT AND TO AVOID OTHERS IN
IMMEDIATE FUTURE.
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